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SUBJECT: New Chairman for the Libyan-American Reconstruction Commission

The newly appointed Libyan Minister of Finance, Ali SAHLI, has now also been appointed Chairman of the Libyan-American Reconstruction Commission (LARC), in place of Dr. Ali ANEIZI, ex-Minister of Finance, who is now Governor of the National Bank of Libya.

The Embassy transmits as Enclosure No. 1 for the use of the U. S. Treasury the original of a letter from the Libyan Prime Minister informing the Ambassador of the conferral of authority on Ali Sahli, as Chairman of LARC, to "operate" the LARC accounts held by the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, and enclosing authenticated specimens of Essayed Ali's signature. The Embassy has attested the primary signature on these documents in the customary manner and trusts that this attestation will satisfy the Treasury requirements indicated in the Department's telegram No. 426. Copies of the above documents in reproducible despatch form are transmitted as Enclosure No. 2 for the Department's records.

For the Ambassador:

David G. Nes
First Secretary of Embassy

Enclosures:

1. Original documents as above.
2. Copies of Enclosure No. 1.

cc: Benghazi

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UNITED KINGDOM OF LIBYA)
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EMBASSY OF THE UNITED) SS:
STATES OF AMERICA)

I, John A. Billings, Vice Consul of the United States of America at Tripoli, Libya, duly commissioned and qualified, do hereby certify that Mustapha Ben Halim, whose true signature is subscribed to the annexed documents, was, on the 15th day of May, 1955, the date thereof, Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Government of the United Kingdom of Libya, to whose official acts faith and credit are due.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Embassy of the United States of America at Tripoli, Libya, this 16th day of May, 1955.

/S/ John A. Billings

John A. Billings
Vice Consul of the United States of America

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UNITED KINGDOM OF LIBYA
OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER

15th May, 1955.

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to my letter of 12th April, 1955, in which I informed Your Excellency that Dr. Ali El Aneizi, Minister of Finance, had been vested with the authority to operate the Libyan/American Reconstruction Commission account with the United States Treasury. I now wish to inform Your Excellency that Essayed Ali Sahli has been appointed Minister of Finance and Chairman of the Libyan/American Reconstruction Commission, and that the authority previously vested in Dr. Aneizi is now vested in Essayed Ali Sahli.

I attach hereto three authenticated specimens of Essayed Ali Sahli's signature.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

/S/ Ben Halim

(MUSTAPHA BEN HALIM)
PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF LIBYA

Encl:

The Honourable John L. Tappin,
Ambassador of the United States of America in Libya,
Tripoli.

cc: Minister of Finance.
cc: Auditor General.
cc: Executive Director, Libyan/American Reconstruction Commission.

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UNITED KINGDOM OF LIBYA

OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER

15[illegible], 1955.

I CERTIFY that the following are signatures of Essayed Ali Sahli, Minister of Finance, Government of the United Kingdom of Libya.

(MUSTAPHA BEN HALIM)
PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER
FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED
KINGDOM OF LIBYA

/S/ Ali Sahli (Essayed Ali Sahli)

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